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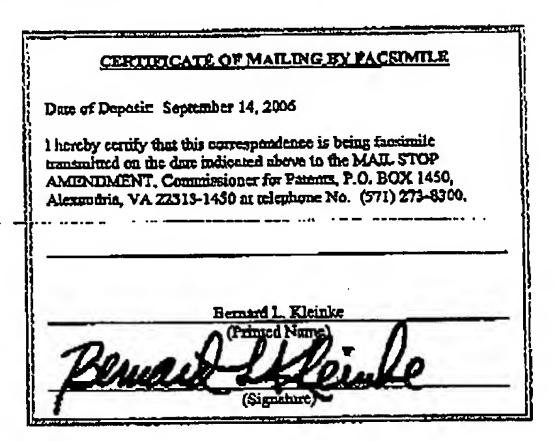
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In response to the Office Action of August 14, 2006, a restriction has been required to one of the three following inventions: Invention I (claims 1-9) for a method of communication for a facility; Invention II (claims10-18) for a system of communication for a facility; or Invention III (claims 19-27) for a software system of communication for a facility.

Applicant hereby requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction. Applicant believes that the inventions are directed to similar subject matter, and that no separate search need be required. The Office Action states that "the apparatus as claimed can be used to practice another and materially different process? (i.e. "tracking stolen vehicles") and that "the product as claimed can be used in a

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materially different process of using that product" (i.e. "tracking prisoners or patients in a hospital"). The inventions as defined in the claims are for a confined area of a facility, and stolen vehicles generally do not remain within a confined area of a facility. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction are earnestly requested.

Notwithstanding the foregoing traverse of the requirement for restriction, Applicant provisionally elects Invention I. Claims 1-9 encompass the above elected invention.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction are earnestly solicited.

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